

Renton Library Advisory Board



**Meeting Minutes
City Hall, Council Conference Room
March 20, 2013 ~ 5:30 p.m.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lynne King called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

In Attendance

Members: Laurie Beden, Lynne King, Catherine Ploue-Smith, Suzi Ure

City of Renton Staff: Peter Renner, Diane Wagner

KCLS Staff: Angelina Benedetti

Excused

Members: Erica Richey

Staff: Terry Higashiyama

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Laurie Beden, seconded by Suzi Ure, to approve the agenda. All were in favor, motion carried, agenda approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Laurie Beden made a motion, seconded by Catherine Ploue-Smith, to approve the January 16, 2013 meeting minutes and February 3, 2012 Retreat minutes as written. All were in favor, motion carried, minutes approved.

IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

V. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VI. CITY REPORT/ Peter Renner

Peter talked about the design meeting for the Liberty Park Library, which Catherine and Lynne attended. They talked about the three main issues: door, footprint, and budget. They discussed the different seismic shoring, maintenance of the building at different square footage, and the bridge deck/pedestrian bridge. The Council presentation is scheduled for April 15, but that date may change. The presentation will include design and budget.

Peter reminded the group about the Open House / Meeting scheduled for March 26 at the Liberty Park Library.

Peter talked about the progress of the Highlands redevelopment in particular the Library portion and said there are meetings every-other week. The meetings involve the lawyers and

solving the issues that still need to be addressed. The draft Purchase and Sale Agreement should be complete in approximately one month. Even with the change in right-of-way, the balance of Sunset Lane is sufficient for two lanes of traffic and some parallel parking. Existing utilities are sufficient for building needs if KCLS starts prior to the mixed use development. The design is not any different than the last public update.

VII. KCLS REPORT/ANGELINA BENEDETTI

Angelina talked about the Summer Outreach Program and provided information about the Summer Reading Partnerships with the City of Renton showing such events as the KCLS Day at the Henry Moses Aquatic Center, the Summer Concert at the Renton Farmer's Market, and the Summer Extravaganza at Heritage Park, to name just a few. This will also bring the Library2GO! vehicle to many events throughout Renton during the summer months and provide an opportunity to have Library cards available to those who currently do not have a Library Card. The Board discussed how they can be involved in assisting with the distribution of information about the library and cards. Angelina will email the information to the Board so they can distribute the information to friends, family, co-workers, PTA members, etc. and mentioned that KCLS can provide materials as requested.

Angelina talked about the recent author visit with Laurie King. She said there were approximately 40 people at the Library for her visit, which was held on Thursday, March 14, at 2:00 pm. Laurie King wrote on her blog that she had a great time at the Renton Library.

Angelina talked about a program titled, A Place at the Table. This themed program is a year-long series full of inspiring, thought-provoking and interesting authors, presenters, and programs. She distributed the first quarter activity guide illustrating a number of authors and programs, some which are coming to the Renton Libraries. As part of A Place at the Table, KCLS is accepting non-perishable food that will be distributed to 45 local food banks from March through December of 2013. Bins are located at each Library. New bags are available to put food in and will be distributed at the Spring Festival and the Farmers Market along with other events.

Angelina shared the new library bags and advised the Library will no longer be giving out plastic bags. The news bags are available for purchase at \$1.25 each or they can be checked-out for up to a year. The new bags are available at the Renton Library.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

The Board talked about the retreat goals and how they can get involved around the community such as possible having tables at different events that include information about the library and applications for cards, etc. The summer events and different ideas were discussed.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

Peter gave a progress report on the Day Center / Shelter. The remodel design is complete. There are a few changes required due to a recent inspection and additional funding is being actively pursued to accommodate the changes. The handout Peter distributed included information on the REACH website and how volunteers can sign up on the website at:

<http://www.reachrenton.org/reach-center-of-hope.html>

X. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XI. INFORMATION

The Literary Lions Gala is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, 2013, at the Bellevue Hyatt. Information on the event is included in the packet.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Suzi Ure, seconded by Laurie Beden, to adjourn the March meeting. All were in favor, motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Signature

NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS



APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 17, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

Renton City Hall, Council Conference Room, 7th Floor

Telephone 425.430.6574



MAY MEETING

Wednesday, May 15, 2013, 5:30 p.m.

Renton City Hall, Council Conference Room, 7th Floor

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